GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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AUTHENTICATION OF CERTIFICATES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the locations of the centres where authentication of certificates of educational qualifications for the persons seeking employment in Arabian countries is being done in the country;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the hardships being faced by the persons coming from distant places to New Delhi for this purpose;

(c) whether the government proposes to open more authentication centres in the country to save the job seekers from the ordeal of long travel; and

(d) if so, the details of places identified for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) The States/UTs of Andhra Pradesh. Bihar, Chandigarh, Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Delhi, Gao, Haryana, Himachal Padesh, J&K, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Orissa, Pondicherry, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, UP, Uttrakhand, and West Bengal, have setup authentication centers. (The details are annexed.)

(b) The authentication done by the State / UT has to be endorsed by the Ministry of External Affairs and for this purpose the applicant still has to come to Delhi. Most of the foreign missions based in Delhi accept authentication of documents by MEA only.

(c) & (d) All States / UTs have agreed to open authentication centres. Most of them have already done so. Some States / UTs have opened more than one entre